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"Towards a Better Mirror": Telesat Canada, Canada's domestic satellite carrier, sponsored a nationwide contest for high school students to propose a GAS experiment. Students from the Ecole Secondaire Charlebois in Ottawa presented the idea of fabricating mirrors in space. They suggested that in using a vapor deposition technique in the microgravity environment of space, a more uniform distribution of a reflective coating on a glass substrate could be achieved than possible on Earth.



Students from Ecole Secondaire Charlebois prepared their "Towards a Better Mirror" payload.

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